

English Language

Comprehension questions

1) Mention three physical differences between the white man and the King.

Answer

(i) The King was dark in complexion while the white man was fair in complexion.

(ii) The King was robust while the white man was thin.

(iii) The King was tall while the white man was short.

2) Mention three hardships the travellers faced on the journey.

Answer

(i) The heat of the day.

(ii) The chill of the night.

(iii) The mosquitoes that followed them.

3) Mention three signs of poverty in the train.

Answer

(i) Their tattered dirty clothes.

(ii) Their battered bulky chest.

4) What made their loads feel lighter.

Answer

(i) The cool water that touched their sore soft feet.

Summary writing

1 In three sentences one for each Summarise the fear of the village people.

Answer

- (i) Children were peering from behind reed fences.
- (ii) No singers came to chant a welcome.
- (iii) No drums to greet the white ambassador.

2 In two sentences mention two from the Journey that couldn't make it and what happened to them.

Answer

- (i) The pony that fell was left for the vultures in the plains.
- (ii) A human who collapsed was left for the masai on the plains.

Exercise 1

Underline the prefixes in the following words

Anti-social

Arch-angel

bi-cycle

co-operate

de-scend

de-regulate

mono-tone

in-come

co-herence

anti-dote

dis-cend

un-fair

out-cast

Inter-national

Exercise 3.

Understand

existence

disagree

Impersonal

misinform

Invisible

unwanted

detract

Correctly

untouchable

Supplier

represent